

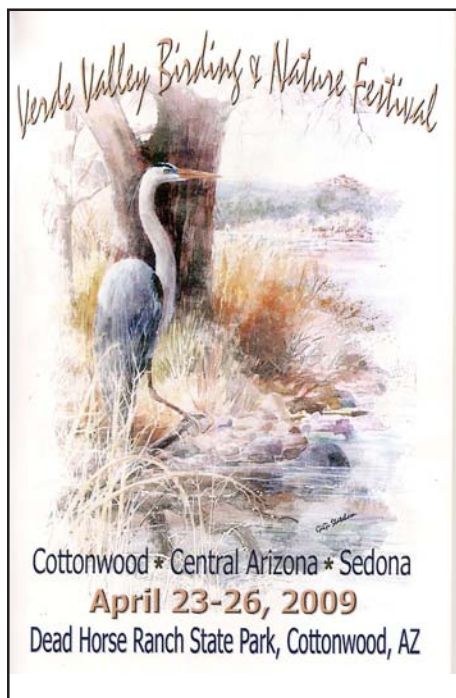
# The Dead Horse DISPATCH

April 23-26, 2009

A newsletter by and for the volunteers of Dead Horse Ranch State Park



On April 24th, the Rangers helped students of the Center for Creative Education plant a tree for Earth Day at DHRSP, during the Birding Festival. The children were from MaryAnn Green's classes and Linda Maxwell's classes from the Center for Creative Education, in Cottonwood.



*Turkey Vulture*



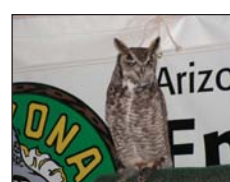
*clockwise: Burrowing Owl, American Kestrels, Swainson's Hawk, Great Horned Owl, Elf Owl.*



Pre-Birding Festival Bar-B-Q dinner (above) was held for the DHRSP volunteers who were helping in the Verde Valley Birding & Nature Festival.



*Black-crowned Night Heron*



Above are some of the birds in the Exhibits and Trade Show Tent, which was open all 3 days of the Birding Festival.





## May

4 - Volunteer Meeting, 9 am, Greenway  
 6 & 20 - Absolute Beginning: Mountain Biking for the inexperienced riders. Contact Ranger Randy Victory  
 8 - 10 "Smokeout West" held at the fair grounds. Beautiful Motorcycles live at DHRSP... watch for the pictures in next issue.  
 10 - Mother's Day  
 18 - Volunteer Meeting, 9 am, Greenway  
 22-25 - ZUKs are coming!!!  
 25 - Volunteer Meeting, 9 am, Greenway  
 25 - Memorial Day



## Coming & Goings

Welcome to the new people @ DHRSP

Ranger II Linda Hauk

Ed Lyon

Bob & Toni Mann

John & Pat Pauly

AND the old people...

Dave & Barb Penny

Hall & Ruth Stoddard

Jack & Robbie Bard



*Butterflies, Bird Houses, Blue Birds of Happiness, Bees, Bugs, Bird Feeders, Quail Calls, Insects, Frog Hopping Contest, Spider Woman, Ms Froggy and Ms Bee set the day for the Family Nature Fair. From 10 am - 2pm, the kids were entertained and participated in activities and learning about everything from Bugs to Frogs. Who had more fun ... volunteers, rangers or kids?*

